

# North York Moors National Park Authority

District/Borough: Ryedale District  
Parish: Allerston

Application No. NYM/2017/0660/AGRP

**Proposal: proposed road for forestry purposes**

**Location: west of High Staindale House  
Thornton le Dale**

**Decision Date: 09 November 2017**

## Consultations

**Site Notice Expiry Date – 31 October 2107**

### Director of Planning's Recommendation

**No objection.**

#### Background and Main Issues

Dalby Forest is located in the southern area of the National Park, and comprises an expanse of coniferous woodland to the north of Thornton Dale village. The main access to the forestry is off the road between Thornton village (Whitbygate) and Lockton, via the toll road at Pexton Moor. This route is a fairly narrow tarmac road leading through the forestry to Broxa and Langdale End.

This prior notification has been submitted for the hardsurfacing of an existing grassed track at the hairpin bend at the end of Staindale Lake. It is proposed to hardsurface a length of 60m from the corner of the tarmacked road, at a width of 4m. The proposed development will facilitate the transfer of cut timber extracted from a harvesting site at Worry Gill, in the forest. The road has been designed in accordance with Forestry Civil Engineering guidelines for safe use by 44 tonne articulated lorries.

The road would be surfaced with crushed limestone aggregate of a grey/beige colour.

The site is currently rough grassland with potential ecological interest from Staindale Lake. There are also some building remains adjacent to the site although there is no archaeology recorded here.

Officers have considered the proposal and assessed the likely landscape impact. Although the works would be visible in the immediate setting, the wider landscape impact of the proposal is minimal. Officers are of the opinion that the proposal would not compromise the special qualities of this part of the National Park and therefore no objections to the development are offered.

Signature:



Date:

9/11/17